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Business Extension

One of the most important business ventures affecting the future of Roy, was instituted this week by The Goodman Mercantile Company which has arranged to take over the Foster building, heretofore occupied by the Mint Saloon, adjoining their present business room, and will begin at once to remodel the building and arrange it for the convenience of their business. On or about February first they will put in a large a complete stock of General Merchandise and run an up-to-date Department Store.

Plans are also contemplated to extend the building another story higher and increase the business still more. Mr. Hermann Goodman, the founder of this business is a hustler of whom we are proud. The more such men as Goodman we can get here the sooner we will have the best town in the Territory.

Bank Closed Xmas

The Roy Trust and Savings Bank will celebrate Christmas by remaining closed all day Monday, Dec. 26th.

Church Wedding

At the Catholic Church in Roy Tuesday morning Dec. 20th, at nine o'clock occurred the ceremony which united for life the fortunes of two of our best native young people, Miss Dolores Tafoya, aged 18, of Roy and Marcelano Aguilar, aged 22 of Union County. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Father Cellier of Springer, in the presence of a very large audience of friends of the bride and groom. Many friends of the happy young couple join in wishing them happiness and prosperity. A dance was given in their honor at the Bushkevitz hall Tuesday evening and a large and happy crowd was in attendance to help them celebrate this, happiest event of their lives.

Morris Exonerated

We are glad to note that the impeachment case against G. H. Morris, Justice of the Peace at Solano, was thrown out at the recent hearing in the District court at Las Vegas and Mr. Morris will continue as J. P. It was one of these cases where no wrong intent could be charged against him.

Boy Burglar Bound Over

Marvin Malone, the eleven-year old son of J. R. Malone, a homesteader near Roy, was arrested Friday by Deputy Sheriff E. H. Biernbaum charged with entering and stealing from The Floersheim Mercantile Co's. store some two months ago. His brother, Willie Malone, aged 14, is also implicated in the robbery but is absent at Dawson at present. The trial of the little fellow was held before Squire Garcia Friday evening. He was bound over to the Grand Jury under \$1,000.00 bond in default of which he was taken in charge by Mr. Biernbaum, who will take the boy to his own home in Mora, and send him to school this winter and care for him till the Grand Jury meets in April when his future will be determined. A collection was taken up here to buy the boy some clothes for the trip. We trust the future, dark as it seems, will be brighter than the past for this little unfortunate.

Birthday Surprise

The ladies of the Embroidery Club celebrated Mrs. Nellie Sheltren's birthday last Saturday at her residence northwest of town, by giving her a surprise dinner at the noon hour.

It is the custom of the club to celebrate each member's birthday with a surprise luncheon. Mrs. Sheltren, being quite a distance from town, the ladies concluded to go in the morning. Each member provided some good things to eat as did also the hostess and by the time the table was spread there was a meal fit for a king.

After dinner the regular meeting was held after which several of the ladies gave recitations also singing and instrumental music. At four p.m. the ladies took their departure declaring it to be one of the most enjoyable functions of the Season.

Wilcox's Parted

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Wilcox separated yesterday—at the depot, he going to Denver on business and she to visit her mother back east. It is seldom they have a vacation and their many friends hope they will enjoy this one.

Take The Spanish American.

Cases on An old Timer

We are in receipt of a copy of the Walsenburg, Colorado, Independent which from the hand write on the wrapper we took to be from our old friend "Joe" Cory, a tramp printer with a national reputation which he could lose to advantage. A perusal of its pages left no doubt in our mind regarding the author of the following—

"We have noticed as we meander about town in the wee small hours of the morning, entering the dives and gambling dens of the lower part of the city considerable interest in the dear old American game—POKER.

That grand old game, how it tantalizes us, how it lures us on, and history's pages are blotched here and there as a result of its disgracing fascination. How long, oh fickle fate, wilt thou smile upon our erring youth? How long before Thy hand of destruction brings down disgrace upon his innocent shoulders? Can it be that ere the mantle of another winter's snow has spread itself over our peaceful community we shall be bemoaning an outrageous scandal, an embezzlement perhaps, or even a blood-curdling murder? 'Tis but Thy inevitable will that we await, and oh! how we hope and pray that for once that hungering tiger shall lose a victim."

Finds Lost Boy

Caledon Vigil, of Gulnase Colorado, arrived in Roy Saturday and drove out to Carrizo and found his nephew, Marcos Belasquez, a boy of 16 years who ran away from his widowed mother two years ago and had not been heard of since. The boy was at the home of S. Martinez working and tried to hide from his uncle but went along readily when captured. They were in Roy over night.

District attorney Charles W. G. Ward, of Las Vegas, was in Roy Wednesday as Attorney for the prosecution in the "Calf case". He is a most agreeable gentleman and conducts a case without the bluster of ordinary lawyers.

Church services will be held at the School house in Roy, New-years night conducted By Rev. J. S. Russel. All are especially invited to attend this service.

Calf Case Again

The now noted "Calf Case" in which G. J. Gillispie is the plaintiff and W. R. Whiteman and Mr. and Mrs. Pete Gimson defendants was on again in Justice Garcia's court in Roy Wednesday and Thursday. Mr. Whiteman was tried for the same offense last week and acquitted and Gimsos were discharged for lack of evidence but all were re-arrested and made to stand trial again on the same charge.

Dist. Attorney C. W. G. Ward and A. S. Bushkevitz prosecuted the case in the name of the Territory and W. Frank Walcowa defended the accused parties. The evidence, as we understood it, was all the same from the witnesses on both sides. The contention hinged on whether a range cow would adopt a calf not her own or a range calf would suck a cow not its real mother. Nothing was positively proven on either side but the evidence did not convince those who listened to it that any of the defendants had acted feloniously or in bad faith. However it is not for the public or newspapers to decide such cases when we have competent courts for that purpose and the Defendants were bound over to the Grand jury under bonds of \$300.00 each which were promptly furnished.

This case over the possession of a calf worth \$13.00 and has cost the Commonwealth over \$125.00 now and will be more than twice that amount when the Grand jury is thru with it. Besides this the parties to the case will be at great expense and loss of time over it and when it is all over the ownership of the calf will still be in doubt, and the moral effect it will produce will not be in any way worth the cost.

Christmas Ball

Invitations have been issued for a Grand Christmas Ball at the Opera House in Roy, Monday evening, Dec. 26th under the auspices of the young people of Roy and another Box Supper and Ball by the M. W. A. Camp at the same hall Dec. 31st. The Christmas Tree tonight and other church and social events for holiday week promise to keep us well entertained for a time.

Henry Ogden, a nephew of the editor, arrived in Roy Thursday from What Cheer, Iowa, to visit and see the country. He is a brother of Irvin Ogden Jr.